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SUBJECT: USAF AERONAUTICAL STATION TESTS

1. THE AIR FORCE MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND (MAC) DESIRES
TO CONDUCT COMMUNICATIONS TESTS, FROM 31 JULY 73 TO 31 DEC
73, WITH ESTABLISHED USAF AERONAUTICAL STATIONS AT
INCIRLIK, TURKEY, CROUGHTON, ENGLAND AND LAJES FIELD,
AZORES (LAJES WILL NOT BE USED FOR ADDIS ABABA OR ASMARA
TESTS) HAVING HIGH FREQUENCY/ SINGLE SIDE BAND (HF/ SSB)
COMMUNICATION RESPONSIBILITY FOR AIRDROMES IN THE AFRICAN
AREA. A COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY WITHIN EXISTING NETWORKS
IS REQUIRED TO INSURE WORLDWIDE COMMAND AND CONTROL OF MAC
AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT. MAC AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS ARE CONDUCTED
INTO MANY AIRFIELDS WHICH HAVE LIMITED OR NO CAPABILITY
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FOR VOICE CONTACT WITH USAF COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS.
COMMAND CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT IS OFTEN LOST UNTIL IT
RETURNS TO A STATION OR ROUTE WHERE CONTACT WITH THE MAC
COMMAND POST SYSTEM IS POSSIBLE. THE PROPOSED COMMUNICA-

TIONS TEST WILL EVALUATE THE FEASIBILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF EXERCISING COMMAND CONTROL OF MAC AIRCRAFT FROM EXISTING COMPONENTS OF THE COMMAND POST SYSTEM THROUGH THE USAF AERONAUTICAL STATION NETWORK TO THE AIRCRAFT WHEN ON THE GROUND AT ANY AIRDROME THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

2. THE PROPOSED TESTS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY USING DESIGNATED MAC C-141/ C-5 AIRCRAFT WHICH TRANSIT AFRICAN AIRDROMES ON CHANNEL OR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT AIRLIFT MISSIONS. PROPOSED AIRDROMES FOR THE TESTS WILL BE:

HAILE SELASSIE I INTL (ADDIS ABABA INTL) ETHIOPIA
YOHANNES IV (ASMARA), ETHIOPIA
ROBERTS INTL (ROBERTSFIELD)/ HARBEL, LIBERIA (C-141 ONLY)
JAN SMUTS/ JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (C-141 ONLY)
KINSHASA/ N' DJILI, ZAIRE

ONLY REGULARLY INSTALLED AIRCRAFT HF/ SSB TRANSMITTERS AND RECEIVERS OPERATED BY THE AIRCRAFT FLIGHT CREW WILL BE USED AT THE AERODROME DURING AUTHORIZED GROUND TIME FOR THE SPECIFIED AIRLIFT MISSION. TESTS WILL DETERMINE CAPABILITY OF INSTALLED AIRCRAFT EQUIPMENT TO ESTABLISH VOICE CONTACT WITH USAF AERONAUTICAL STATIONS FROM THE AIRCRAFT PARKING POSITION AT THE AERODROME. THE AIRCRAFT AND CREW SPECIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN A TEST WILL TRANSIT THE AIRDROMES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS ESTABLISHED IN THE FOREIGN CLEARANCE GUIDE (FCG) FOR THE PERTINENT AIRLIFT MISSION. THE HOST GOVERNMENT WILL BE PROVIDED A SEPARATE NOTICE OF EACH TEST 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE THROUGH THE USDAO. THIS NOTICE WILL INCLUDE THE AIRLIFT MISSION NUMBER, TYPE AIRCRAFT AND PROPOSED DATE THE TEST WILL BE DONDUCTED. CONTACTS WITH USAF AERONAUTICAL STATIONS WILL BE LIMITED TO MATTERS OF OPERTIONAL CONTROL FO THE AIRCRAFT, SUCH AS DIVERSION, REROUTE, AND RECALL. NO ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS TEST. THE TEST WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE NORMAL COMPLEMENT

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OF CREW MEMBERS OF AIRCRAT PREVIOUSLY GRANTED FOREIGN CLEARANCE. RADIO FREQUENCY AUTHORIZATION WILL BE OBTAINED THROUGH OTHER CHANNELS, SUBJECT TO PROJECT APPROVAL. NO SPECIAL SUPPORT WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THIS TEST.

3. FOREIGN OPERATING RIGHTS ARE REQUIRED AT THIS TIME FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY. TESTS ARE CURRENTLY PLANNED FOR APPROXIMATELY 25 AIRDROMES SELECTED TO ASCERTAIN HF/ SSB COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES WITHIN ASIA, AFRICA, THE MIDDLE EAST, SOUTH AMERICA, AND AUSTRALIA. IF TESTS PROVE SATISFACTORY, A FUTURE REQUEST FOR FOREIGN OPERATING RIGHTS WILL INCLUDE REQUIR

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